

LONDON BOROUGH OF BROMLEY

STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE DECISION

The Portfolio Holder for Children and Young People, Councillor Ernest Noad has made the following executive decision:

AN UPDATE ON RECENT GOVERNMENT REFORM DEVELOPMENTS INCLUDING THE ACADEMY PROGRAMME

Reference Report:

CYP PDS 200312 An Update on the Recent Government Reform Developments

Decision:

That the approach being taken by the Director CYP in response to the overall policy changes including local Academy developments be endorsed.

That the proposal for Hillside Primary School to convert to academy status as a Sponsored Academy from September 2012, committing the Local Authority to indemnify the proposed academy for all costs and liabilities be endorsed.

Reasons:

The Government's reform agenda for education, schools and wider children's services will be underpinned by major statutory changes. This will impact significantly on local policy, strategy and priorities for Bromley's Children and Young People Services agenda; the detail of which will be brought in progress update reports to Members.

The Governors of Hillside Primary School formally resolved to pursue conversion to academy status as a Sponsored Academy in partnership with The Primary on 7th December 2011. On 11th January 2012, the Department for Education wrote to the Chairman of Governors of Hillside Primary School to confirm that Ministerial approval had been given to the proposal to convert as a Sponsored Academy in partnership with the Priory School, and instructing the Governors to proceed to the Expression of Interest stage of the conversion process with a proposed conversion date of 1st September 2012.

The proposed decision was scrutinised by the Children and Young People PDS Committee on 20th March 2012 and the Committee supported the proposal.

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Date of Decision: 26 Mar 2012

Implementation Date (subject to call-in): 2 Apr 2012

Decision Reference: CYP12023